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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner: Stole, E.

Case: FJ 122

Applicant(s): Marina Vrlić et al.

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In Response To
Paper No: 21

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Title: PROCESS FOR THE MICROBIAL PRODUCTION OF AMINO
ACIDS BY BOOSTED ACTIVITY OF EXPORT CARRIERS

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

July 29, 2000

SIR:

Enclosed herewith is a petition for an extension by one month to respond to the action dated 06/13/00 with a response date of 07/13/00.

It is noted that it was necessary to consult the inventors for making the selection and this process took more time than the one month period set by the Examiner.

In response to the Election/Restriction requirement, Applicant selects group II, that is claims 21 – 26, 29, 31, 32, 35 – 38 and 43 – 48.

However, the election is made with traverse.

Respectfully,

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